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In re Application of

Yasushi NOGUCHI et al.

Serial No.: 09/980,940

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For: METHOD OF PRODUCING CORDIERITE CERAMIC HONEYCOMB

SUBMISSION OF ORIGINAL EXECUTED DECLARATION

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Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

The above-identified application was duly filed on December 6, 2001 without an executed Declaration. Accordingly, submitted herewith is a fully executed Declaration and Assignment of the inventors. Attached is our check for \$170.00, which includes \$130.00 to cover the payment of the fee in accordance with 37 CFR 1.16(e) and \$40.00 to cover the fee for recordation of the Assignment document

Entry of these documents should complete all of the filing formalities and fully satisfy the Notification of Missing Requirements mailed January 23, 2002. Accordingly examination

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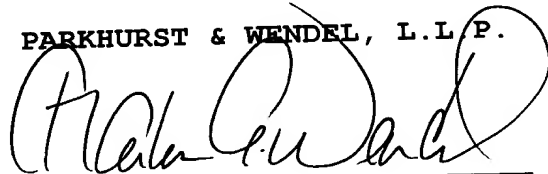
and allowance of the application in due course are respectfully solicited.

All correspondence should be sent to applicants' representative at the address indicated below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee (or credit any overpayment) associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 16-0331. A duplicate copy of this letter is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated Office (37 CFR 1.494):

- U.S. Basic National Fees
- Priority Document
- Copy of references cited in ISR
- Copy of the International Application
- Copy of the International Search Report
- Preliminary Amendments
- Substitute Specification

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- \$130 Surcharge for providing the oath or declaration later than the appropriate 20 months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)) is required.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 22 or 32 MONTHS (where 37 CFR 1.495 applies) FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

- \$130 Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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